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## Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Parks Fire Update

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### Update on Fires in Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Parks

Fire managers are monitoring two small lightning-caused fires south of Cedar Grove in Kings Canyon National Park. Both fires will be allowed to spread naturally. This strategy, called “wildland fire use,” is utilized, when conditions allow, to maintain natural fire cycles and improve forest health.

- The **Roaring Fire** (currently 8 acres) was detected on July 23 in Kings Canyon National Park. It is located at 7,700 feet in elevation on the east end of Sentinel Ridge and 1½ miles southwest of Roaring River Falls. Since the fire is perched on a steep ridge top, it is likely to spread as burning logs and cones roll downhill. The parks will work cooperatively on this project with the U.S. Forest Service and the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District.

Beginning Saturday, August 12, fire monitors will be stationed on North Mountain directly across the Kings River from the Roaring Fire. From this vantage point, they will be able to observe fire behavior, make maps of the fire’s size, and report any changes to managers.

- The **Ridge Fire** (currently less than one acre) was detected on August 7 in Kings Canyon National Park. It is located at 8,500 feet in elevation approximately one mile southwest of the Roaring Fire.

Fire managers expect that the Roaring and Ridge Fires will eventually join together as they spread naturally.

### One Fire Suppressed

Yesterday, fire crews contained the ¼-acre Trail Fire located ½-mile northeast of Paradise Peak in Sequoia National Park. Five firefighters from the parks’ helicopter crew will stay on scene over the next several days until the fire is out cold.

[www.nps.gov/seki/fire/fireinfo/current.htm](http://www.nps.gov/seki/fire/fireinfo/current.htm)